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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
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Sir:

This Amendment and Reply is submitted in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of October 12, 2006 and a statutory period for response that is set to expire on January 12, 2007. The Office Action is a final rejection of Claims 7 and 9-11.

Applicant respectfully requests entry of amendments presented herein and reconsideration of the outstanding rejections in view of the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments in favor of patentability begin on page 4 of this paper.